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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated November 3, 2005 (Paper No. 1005), for which a response is due on February 3, 2006. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Specification are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.